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Re: Access to Wireless internet for union members. Docket no.7-16

Dear Mrs. Secretary,

As President, of the Central Florida Labor Council I was delighted to hear that an opportunity has presented itself 'for working families to gain FREE access to the internet. I understand that a public/private entity has introduced a petition to the FCC that would pi-ovide free internet service at three limes the speed of cable and DSL access today.

In Central Florida, a reliable and affordable internet network is key to connecting union members spread out through several counties. Our members discuss current union events, plan meetings and keep up to date on our affiliates through online communications. Many of our locals would save valuable resources if they did not have to spend thousands of dollars each year on cable or DSL service.

In addition, emergency teams in Central Florida must rely upon a wireless communications network in the all too often event of tornadoes or hurricanes. I understand that municipalities and first responders would he a priority in accessing the free broadband network outlined in this proposal.

Please take immediate action on docket no. 7-16 and provide the benefits of wireless inteinet service to the American public.

Sincerely,

Debra Booth

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